

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Upon entry of this amendment, the following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the pending application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 2 and 15 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

Please amend the pending claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A kit for converting a ~~conventional-vertical~~ garage door opener manufactured for opening a vertically sliding door to an outward door opener for opening an outwardly swinging door mounted for pivotal movement with substantially vertically aligned hinges disposed on one side of the outwardly swinging door such that the outwardly swinging door swings outwardly to reveal an opening, the ~~conventional-vertical~~ garage door opener having a motor operating a drive mechanism along a track for moving a movable trolley connectable to the vertically sliding door, the kit ~~comprising~~consisting of:
  - a trolley coupling adapted to mount to the movable trolley of the vertical garage door opener;
  - a door coupling adapted to mount to the outwardly swinging door; and
  - at least one push bar having a first end and second end, wherein the push bar is adapted to pivotally couple at the first end with the trolley coupling and further adapted to pivotally couple at the second end with the door coupling such that the at least one push bar extends between the movable trolley and the outwardly swinging door to control the opening and closing of the outwardly swinging door in response to the drive mechanism moving the trolley along the track.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The kit of claim 21, further comprising a second trolley mechanism slidable along the track and adapted to be coupled to the ~~first~~ movable trolley mechanism and the at least one push bar using the trolley coupling.
4. (Original) The kit of claim 1, further comprising a second door coupling mountable on a second outwardly swinging door.
5. (Original) The kit of claim 4 wherein the at least one push bar comprises a first push bar and a second push bar, the first push bar adapted to be coupled to the trolley coupling and the door coupling, and the second push bar adapted to be coupled to the trolley coupling and the second door coupling.
6. (Original) The kit of claim 1, wherein the at least one push bar further comprises at least one adjustment mechanism for adjusting the length of the at least one push bar.
7. (Original) The kit of claim 1, wherein the at least one push bar further comprises at least one slip joint coupled with a spring for automatically adjusting the length of the at least one push bar.
8. (Original) The kit of claim 1, further comprising a stabilizer adapted to support the at least one push bar.
9. (Currently Amended) A door opener for opening an outwardly swinging door mounted for pivotal movement with substantially vertically aligned hinges disposed on one side of the outwardly swinging door such that the door swings outwardly to reveal an opening, the door opener comprising:
  - a track disposed to extend inwardly in a direction substantially opposite from the outward direction of swing of the outwardly swinging door;
  - a trolley slidably coupled with the track, such that the trolley can move along the track directionally generally toward the outwardly swinging door and away from the outwardly swinging door;

at least one push bar having a first end and second end, the push bar ~~being pivotally coupled~~ configured for pivotal coupling with the trolley at the first end and with the outwardly swinging door at the second end, the at least one push bar additionally having a slip joint coupled with a spring for automatically adjusting a length of the at least one push bar during operation;

wherein movement of the trolley along the track in a direction toward the outwardly swinging door causes the push bar to push the outwardly swinging door outwardly away from the trolley to reveal the opening while the push bar pivots forming an ~~increasing~~ angle with the track increasing in magnitude; and

wherein movement of the trolley along the track in a direction away from the outwardly swinging door causes the push bar to pull the outwardly swinging door inwardly toward the trolley to conceal the opening while the push bar pivots forming an ~~decreasing~~ angle with the track decreasing in magnitude.

10. (Original) The door opener of claim 9, further comprising a drive mechanism for moving the trolley along the track.

11. (Original) The door opener of claim 10, wherein the drive mechanism comprises at least one of a screw drive and a chain drive.

12. (Original) The door opener of claim 10, further comprising a motor for powering the drive mechanism.

13. (Original) The door opener of claim 9, wherein the trolley comprises a first trolley mechanism and a second trolley mechanism, the first trolley mechanism coupled with the second trolley mechanism.

14. (Original) The door opener of claim 9, wherein the at least one push bar further comprises at least one adjustment mechanism for adjusting the length of the at least one push bar.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Currently Amended) The door opener of claim 15~~9~~, wherein the at least one slip joint coupled with a spring enables lengthening of the at least one push bar while the at least one push bar maintains a pulling force on the door when the trolley moves in the direction away from the outwardly swinging door.

17. (Original) The door opener of claim 9, further comprising a stabilizer bar for supporting the at least one push bar.

18. (Currently Amended) The door opener of claim 1~~9~~, wherein the at least one push bar comprises a first push bar and a second push bar, the first push bar and the second push bar being disposed on opposing sides of the track.

19. (Currently Amended) The door opener of claim 18, wherein the door opener is configured to open ~~two the~~ outwardly swinging doors ~~door and a second outwardly swinging door proximally disposed relative to the outwardly swinging door~~ substantially simultaneously.

20. (Currently Amended) A door opener for opening a door mounted for pivotal movement with substantially vertically aligned hinges disposed on one side of the door such that the door swings outwardly to reveal an opening, the door opener comprising:

a track ~~means~~ disposed to extend inwardly in a direction substantially opposite from the outward direction of swing of the outwardly swinging door;

a trolley means slidably coupled with the track ~~means~~, such that the trolley means can move along the track ~~means~~ directionally generally toward the door and away from the door;

at least one push bar means having a first end and second end, the push bar means ~~being pivotally coupled~~ configured for pivotal coupling with the trolley means at the first end and with the door at the second end, the at least one push bar additionally having a slip joint coupled with a spring for automatically adjusting a length of the at least one push bar during operation;

wherein movement of the trolley means along the track ~~means~~ in a direction toward the door causes the push bar means to push the door outwardly away from the trolley means to reveal the opening while the push bar means pivots forming an ~~increasing~~ angle with the track ~~means~~ of increasing magnitude; and

wherein movement of the trolley means along the track means in a direction away from the door causes the push bar means to pull the door inwardly toward the trolley means to conceal the opening while the push bar means pivots forming an decreasing angle with the track means of decreasing magnitude.